

CLAIMS

1. A container (3) having a first part (11), a second part (9) and a hinge (13) through which the first and second parts are hingeably connected so that the parts are hingeable relative to one another between a first position which places the container in a closed state and a second position which places the container in an open state, and wherein the first and second parts are pivotally connected (15, 31) so that the parts are able to be pivoted relative to one another to different angular positions.
2. The container of claim 1 adapted such that the first and second parts are not pivotal relative to one another when the container is in the closed state.
3. The container of claim 2 wherein in the closed state the first and second parts interengage one another so as to prevent pivotal movement therebetween.
4. The container of claim 3 wherein the interengagement is between respective lip structures (2a, 2b) of the first and second parts.
5. The container of any one of the preceding claims wherein the hinge is a living hinge.
6. The container of any one of the preceding claims wherein the first and second parts have locking elements (4,6) which interengage in the closed state of the container to lock the container in the closed state.
7. The container of claim 6 wherein the locking elements form a snap fit connection of the first and second parts in the closed state of the container.
8. The container of any one of the preceding claims wherein the hinge is pivotally mounted (15, 31) to the second part for enabling the relative pivotal movement of the first and second parts.

9. The container of any one of the preceding claims wherein the hinge is statically mounted to the first part.

10. The container of claims 8 and 9 wherein the hinge forms an integral part of the first part and is pivotally mounted to the second part.

11. The container of any one of the preceding claims wherein the first part is pivotal to a first angular position disposed behind the second part.

12. The container of claim 11 wherein the first part is pivotal to the first angular position after the container is in the open state.

13. The container of claim 11 or 12 wherein in the first angular position the first and second parts are adapted to nest together in a nesting state.

14. The container of any one of claims 11 to 13 wherein the second part has a rear surface in which is provided a reading feature (35), the first part covers the reading feature in the first angular position and has a viewing feature to enable the reading feature to be viewed through the first part when in the first angular position.

15. The container of claim 14 wherein the first part is at least in part made from a material sufficiently transparent to enable the reading feature to be viewed therethrough when the first part is in the first angular position.

16. The container of any one of the preceding claims further having a detent mechanism (80, 82) for detenting the first and second parts in different angular positions.

17. The container of claims 11 and 16 wherein the second part has a rear surface in which is provided a reading feature (35) and the detent mechanism is adapted to detent the first part in the first angular position, which first angular position provides an unimpeded view of the reading feature on the second part.

18. The container of any one of claims 14, 15 or 17 wherein the reading feature is a window for viewing the contents of the container.

5 19. The container of any one of the preceding claims wherein the first and second parts form an enclosing structure when in the closed state.

20. The container of claim 19 wherein the enclosing structure is an outer structure (3) and wherein the container includes an inner part (5) releasably,
10 fixably securable in one of the first and second parts so as to be enclosed by the outer structure.

21. The container of claim 20 wherein the inner part is adapted to be snap-fitted in one of the first and second parts.

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22. The container of claim 20 or 21 in which the inner part is securable in the second part.

23. The container of claim 20, 21 or 22 in which the inner part is adapted to
20 hold a product (7) in the container.

24. The container of claim 23 in which the product is a package with contents to be dispensed.

25 25. The container of claim 24 in which the inner part is a dispenser with a dispensing mechanism (51) for dispensing the contents of the package.

26. The container of claim 25 in which the dispensing mechanism operates through relative movement between the dispenser and the package when the
30 dispenser is fixedly secured in the outer structure.

27. The container of claim 25 or 26 in which the dispenser has a delivery nozzle (59) through which the contents of the package are dischargeable.

28. The container of any one of claims 25 to 27 in which the dispenser is an intranasal dispenser (1).

5 29. The container of any one of claims 25 to 28 when appendant on claim 14, 15 or 17 including the package, the package and dispenser forming a dispenser assembly, the package containing multiple doses of the contents and the dispenser assembly having a dose counter (12) for counting the number of doses
10 dispensed from the package, the dose counter being aligned with the reading feature when the dispenser assembly is secured in the container.

30. The container of any one of claims 25 to 28 wherein the package is an aerosol canister with fluidic contents and having a valve (16) openable by the dispensing mechanism on relative movement of the canister to the dispenser for
15 release of a dose of the fluidic contents from the dispenser.

31. The container of claim 30 in which the valve has a stem (16) through which the fluidic contents is dispensed from the dispenser on relative movement thereof to the canister and in which the dispenser has a stand (51) adapted to
20 receive the stem in static relation thereto whereby the canister is able to be moved relative to the stem when received in the stand for dispensing of the fluidic contents.

32. The container of any one of claims 24 to 28, 30 and 31 including the
25 package.

33. The container of claim 32 in which the contents of the package is a pharmaceutical composition.

30 34. A container substantially as hereinbefore described with reference to, and as illustrated by, the accompanying FIGURES of drawings.

35. A medicament dispensing system having the container of any one of the preceding claims.